

The regular session meeting of the Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers and Speech-Language Pathologists was held on September 19, 2019, in Room 110 of the MDH Metro Executive Building, 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. Regular Session Board meeting came to order at 4:10 p.m. Present for the quorum were John Cummins, Tinita Kearney (Via Phone), Jennifer Mertes, Dr. Tam Nhu Nguyen, Carrie Nieman (Via Phone) Candace Robinson, Mr. John Rouse, Mr. George Sheckells, Ms. Carolyn Stine:

Staff Present

Donna Seidel, Intern Executive Director
Carla Boyd, AAG, Board Counsel
Zoann Mouzone, Administrative Specialist III
Monica Wright, Office Secretary III
David Bruce, Investigator

Absent Members

Jillian Deluca
Tinita Kearney (Via Phone)
Carrie Nieman (Via Phone)
Ellen Stein
Stacey Samuels Cole

Visitors

Kim Lang, Director of Health Occupations Boards and Commissions

Agenda Review and Approval for (September 2019)

Dr. Robinson made a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Nguyen seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Mr. George Sheckells made a motion to approve minutes. Mr. John Cummins seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Executive Director's Report

Acting Director Donna Seidel thanked the Board and thanked the Board staff. Ms. Seidel gave a brief summary on how she would like to improve the Board. Moving to online services and assisting with improving customer service. Mrs. Seidel also asked the Board for assistance to have a better understanding with the Regs. Attorney Carla Boyd will assist and also suggested the legislation committee once established will also assist.

Treasurer's Report

None

Regulatory Review

None

Regular Session Minutes
September 19, 2019

Chair Report – Jennifer Mertes

We got our Amplification System. It will help the staff with editing the minutes. Also Dr. Mertes informed the Board that they are two my links for the computer and a couple of mics. Dr. Mertes stated unable to get it up a running for this meeting. Dr. Mertes, acknowledge Donna Seidel as Acting Executive Director. We are still in the process of selecting a New Executive Director.

Correspondence & FYI

Mr. George Sheckells had some concerns about correspondence going to the Governs office. Dr. Mertes, informed the Board that when they reach out to the customer customers IQ it goes into the system to follow and document. We have let them know that we have been responding to the correspondence that went to the Governs. The calls are going to Secretary Neil Office. We have informed them that we have plan in place to handle all correspondence.

Hearing Aid Examination – October 17, 2019

Proctors Needed

Two Proctors are required for HAD Exam. Mr. George Sheckells, will be one of the proctors. Dr. Mertes will check with other Board members to see who can serve as proctor.

Next Board Meeting – October 17, 2019

Adjournment

Ms. Robinson made a motion to adjourn the regular session of the Board meeting. Mr. John Rouse seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The regular session meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Mertes, Au.D.
Chair